

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist Rite II
10:30 am

The Word of God

Prelude-*Allegretto*- W.Boyce

Wendi Gustafson- Organ

Opening Hymn- *Go Down, Moses (v. 1 & 2)*

Lift Every Voice and Sing 228

1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo - ple go;
2. The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo - ple go;
3. They jour - neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo - ple go;
4. Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo - ple go;

1. op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo - ple go.
2. to lead the chil - dren of Is - rael through, let my peo - ple go.
3. and come at length to Ca - naan's land, let my peo - ple go.
4. and let us all in Christ be free, let my peo - ple go.

Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;

tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo - ple go.

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.***

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that

we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Reader A Reading from the book of Exodus (14:19-31)

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm Appointed

Reader The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 114 on page 756 in the BCP. Let us read in unison.

Hallelujah!

*When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,*

*Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.*

*The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.*

*The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.*

*What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?*

*You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?*

*Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,*

*Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.*

The Epistle

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans (14:1-12)

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do

you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.” So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn – My faith looks up to thee (v. 1)

Hymnal 691

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.
 love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire.
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

All stand

The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (18:21-35).

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who

owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon

Fr. Stephen Shortess

Nicene Creed

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All stand.

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.***
***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.***
***For us and our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.***
***For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.***

*On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven*

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

*We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

After the Creed: You may sit, kneel, or remain standing for the Prayers.

The Prayers of the People: Form III

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Reader Father, we pray for the members of St. Matthew's, Universal City and St. Francis',
San Antonio, for our Vestry and staff and for your holy Catholic Church;

People ***That we all may be one.***

Reader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

Reader We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury and his wife Caroline; for Michael our
Presiding Bishop and his wife, Sharon; for David our bishop and his wife, Patti; for
Stephen our rector and his wife, Jennifer; for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

Reader We pray for Donald our President, Greg our Governor, Don our Mayor, for the
Congress and Supreme Court of this nation, for all legislators and jurists in our
state, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Reader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Reader Have compassion on Mozzelle Dempster, Bill Anderson, Kenneth, Morgan, Susan
Neuman, Ardith Perry, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris, and all those
who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Reader Preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger;

People and bring them in safety to their journey's end.

Reader Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit,

People That by their ministries, the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified;

Reader Give to Barbara Wilson and all the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Reader We praise you for Blessed Andrew and all your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Reader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For those who give their time to help the Seguin Pregnancy Center.

For all healthcare professionals and their families.

For our armed forces and their families at home and abroad.

For all who suffer from the effects of the novel coronavirus.

For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially: Audrey Herron, Ann Benham, Betty Rainey,

Judy McClendon, Patsy Creager, Ruth Burges, Karen Cook, and Rose

Foegelle.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

*that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Birthdays & Anniversaries Prayers

Birthdays

Celebrant and People

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Henry Moore, Joyce Lee, and Don Keil as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem- *Amazing Grace*

Samuel Gaytan- Violin

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sursum Corda-

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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After the Sanctus: You may kneel or remain standing for the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Celebrant On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People ***Christ has died.***
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you

in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through you Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

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Celebrant and People

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.***

Give us this day our daily bread.

***And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.***

***And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.***

***For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.***

Breaking of the Bread

Hymnal S154

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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All baptized Christians of any tradition are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not baptized, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will know to give you a blessing. If you would like to be baptized, please speak with Fr. Stephen!

Communion Hymn – *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Hymnal 304

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;***

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through Christ our Lord. Amen.

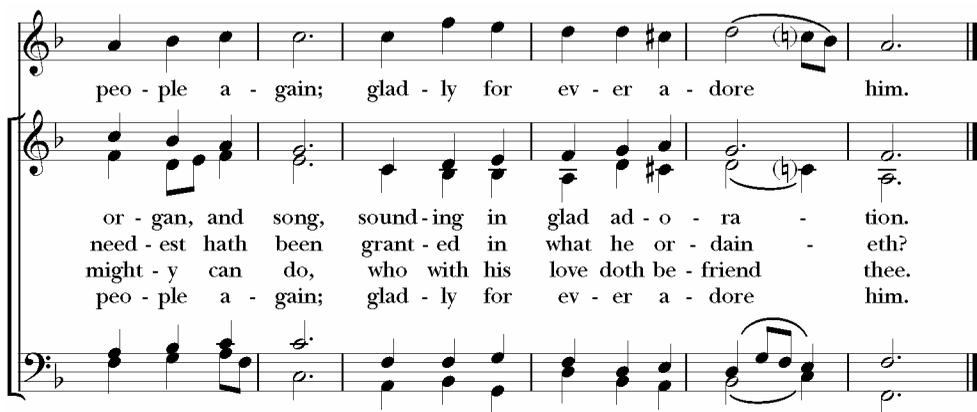
Blessing

Postcommunion Hymn- *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (v. 1 & 2)*

Hymnal 390

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his
health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.
 or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

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Dismissal

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Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude- *Fanfare* –R. Otterstad

Wendi Gustafson- Organ

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Owen Keddal on his birthday by Sally and Mark Keddal; also given by Joyce and Don Richey in celebration of Joyce Lee's birthday.



Ministers in the Lord's Service

Celebrant- Fr. Stephen Shortess

Lay Reader- Barbara Upper

Altar Guild- Dorothy Bauer, Martha Bruns, Ann Ramsey, Marty Keil, Linda Williams, Jackie Ball

Ushers- Margaret Taylor & Carlotta Coffman

Musicians- Leo Garcia- Choir Director/Cantor

Samuel Gaytan- Violin

Wendi Gustafson- Music Director/Organ

Camerasmen/Technicians- Aaryn Perry, Gil Merkle, Jack Merrell

Sound- Carolyn Baker